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RESPONSE

In response to the action mailed August 28, 2000, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

On page 1, line 5, before "Background of the Invention", please add the following text:

a1 ~~This~~ This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 08/985,012, filed December 4, 1997 and issued on November 9, 1999 as U.S. Patent No. 5,980,804.

On page 13, at line 16, before "As shown in Fig. 7", please add, as a separate paragraph:

a2 ~~Alternatively~~ Alternatively, as shown in Figs. 6A-6C, shell member 12" may be filled with curable material 42 prior to applying the shell member to the patient's exocervix. In this embodiment, the rim 10 is placed on the exocervix (Fig. 6B), and then the filled shell member 12" is pressed onto the rim, with any excess curable material 42 escaping through the aperture in the shell member 12".

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

a3 1. (Amended) A cervical cap comprising:

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